



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Francois Kayser, et al.)
For: PNEUMATIC TIRE HAVING)
A RUBBER COMPONENT)
CONTAINING HIGH)
IMPACT POLYSTYRENE)
Serial No.: 10/079,656)
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 15, 2004, Applicants respond as follows.